

Everything Now Ready for Richmond's First Automobile Show

BANG-UP EXHIBIT FOR LOCAL SHOW IS NOW ASSURED

Richmond's Automobile Exhibition Will Vie With Any Ever Held.

Attractions Are of First Water

Cabaret Show and Specially Engaged Orchestra of Twenty Musicians Two Features. Society Night Will Bring Out Vast Throng to See Sight.

One week from to-morrow Richmond's first automobile show will be officially launched. Mayor George Ainslie will turn the switch which will flood the Horse Show Building with light from the myriad incandescent globes which have been placed by the decorator. More than 100 cars of all kinds and sizes will be on exhibition, and all Richmond, joined by friends and motor enthusiasts from neighboring cities and States, will be on hand to welcome the monster exhibition. It has been no small task that the men behind the Richmond Automobile Dealers' Show Association have had in hand. It wasn't so much that they couldn't arrange to have an exhibition of cars without undue exertion, but they were anxious to have an exhibition just a little better than any held anywhere else. With success in their hands, they are not stopping. Every member of the association, every member of the Richmond Automobile Club, every member of every business and civic organization in Richmond is working just as hard now as in the early days, when the show idea was in embryo.

Many Things to Do. Manager Thomas B. Hutchison is as busy these days as the proverbial wet hen. What with making arrangements for Decorator Schweitzer, who will be here to-morrow, and getting a program in shape for Vess Ossman and (Continued on Third Page.)

FAVORITES WIN ON HEAVY TRACK

Only Once Was Talent Upset, When Chemulpo, at 15 to 1, Grabs Fifth Race.

Charleston, S. C., February 8.—Favorite players almost made a clean sweep at Palmetto Park this afternoon, as five of them rewarded the faithful, the only upset coming in the fifth race, when the choice, Chemulpo, could only finish second to the 15 to 1 chance Bat Masterson. The six events furnished good sport, even though the going was a trifle heavy after the rain, and there was a large crowd present. The stake feature of the afternoon was the Charleston Hotel Handicap of \$1,200, at one mile, and Carlton G. won. He shot to the front on the back stretch, and led by several lengths until well into the stretch. Then he was challenged by Republican and Lochiel, and the three fought it out to the end. Wilson's strong finish landing Carlton G. first by a head, while Republican was a simi-r distance before Lochiel. The sale of H. O. Comstock's two-year-olds, which was held in the paddock before the races began, was a (Continued on Second Page)

PICK BALL TEAMS ALPHABETICALLY

Some Classy Aggregations Are Put Together on Mythical Clubs by Dopesters.

New York, Feb. 8.—The members of the winter league have made one last but not least effort to open a debate before the season really commences, and all dope dreams are relegated to the past. One of the prominent supporters of the league, by reason of a guilty conscience or too much Welsh rarebit, was unable to fall asleep in his usual prompt manner the other night and, his thoughts reverting to his favorite topic, something impelled him to try to pick out a team made up of players whose names all began with the same letter. He was successful, and the next time he met the other rabid rooters at the usual place he told them what he had done. Then, proving that two heads are better than one, a second brain conceived the brilliant idea of forming an eight-club league from the alphabet. After much discussion and perusing record books it was decided by the majority that it was decided by the last letter in the alphabet were B, C, D, E, L, M, S. and W. For instance, the B team selected was Bradley, first; (Continued on Second Page.)

LEADERS IN AUTO SHOW



RICHMOND TEAMS BOWL WEDNESDAY

President Williams Will Represent Local Organization at Formal Opening.

Tourney Starts Tomorrow

Much Enthusiasm Shown, and Local Enthusiasts Expect to Finish Well Up.

S. N. Williams, president of the Richmond Bowling Association, will leave to-day for Washington to officially represent Richmond at the first inter-city bowling tournament held between Richmond, Washington and Baltimore, which begins to-morrow night on the Palace Alleys in the capital city. Baltimore will send nine five-men teams and Richmond will send six, not by any means a bad showing for the local timber spotters. But what is more to the point, the men who will represent Richmond expect to finish well to the front when the final count-up comes. The very cream of this city and Petersburg will be sent. Richmond wants the tournament in 1914, and Richmond bowlers will endeavor to make such an impression that the committee, composed of representatives from each of the cities interested, will agree that Richmond is entitled to the next gathering. Wednesday night has been named as "Richmond Night." The Richmond name, and a banner crowd will be on hand to watch the Old Dominion win fame and fortune in the tennin game. Four Class "A" Teams. In all there will be four teams to (Continued on Fourth Page.)



Heading left to right: Top row—Thomas B. Hutchison, manager; B. A. Bieaner, L. M. Foster. Bottom row—H. T. Kallor, J. H. Sims.

BOATWRIGHT NAMES LIST OF UMPIRES FOR NEXT SEASON

Norcum, Kennedy, Stocksdale and Shetter Form Quartet—Griffin Signs Two New Men From Carolina League—Schedule Meeting Next Saturday—Roanoke Gets Opening Date.

BY GUS MALBERT. Frank Norcum, Jack Kennedy, Otis H. Stocksdale, S. C. Shetter. Look 'em over; roll the names upon your collective tongue, ye fans of Richmond and the Virginia League. Weigh 'em, balance 'em, rehearse them. They're the fall guys for your summer pastime—the umpires for 1913. President Boatwright broke the winter shell yesterday and made public the result of his recent burrowing. He's been working rather hard getting together a staff of men in whom he has confidence. His silence can be forgiven if he has measured up to the standard he set for himself. He is anxious to go through the season without making any changes in his staff, and he believes that in the quartet he has brought together, he has men who will give eminent satisfaction to public and owners alike. If it is true, it is well. Frank Norcum, kind friends, is a brave man, if he has nothing else to commend him. Last season, when Petersburg and Roanoke were fighting a race to a finish; when the very last game on the calendar decided the championship of the Virginia League, this same Norcum fellow, without blinking an eyelash, stood on the firing line, and went through the series. His very best recommendation is that he is able to sign a 1913 contract.

Norcum Old Pitcher. Jack Kennedy comes upon the kind words said for him by Norcum. These two worked in the Cotton States League last season with remarkable success. Norcum, for the information of the younger generation of enthusiasts, was once a pitcher in the Virginia League. Naming dates would be giving incriminating evidence as to our age, and we just won't do that. Otis H. Stocksdale, even with the frills in the way of initials and such impedimenta, will be recognized as far as the schedule meeting of the league is concerned. This meeting is to be held here next Saturday. The magnates will gather in the Jefferson Hotel, and after all business has been transacted, the representatives will be banquetted at the expense of the local management. It is a source of gratification that Newport News and Roanoke have come to an understanding. Unless this agreement had been reached before the meeting, there might have been some heated arguments. There is no question but that Roanoke deserves some consideration. The town has been a member of the league since its reorganization some eight years ago, and the coming season will be the first when the Magic City fans had an opportunity to watch the home club play at home on the opening day. On the other hand, Newport News could have advanced a very good line of talk as to why the shipbuilding centre should be given the preference. It is all settled now, and we take this means of thanking Jimmie West for putting us right. Under this latest information the season will begin with Richmond playing Petersburg at home; Norfolk playing Portsmouth at home; or in Portsmouth, and Newport News playing Roanoke in Roanoke—a very healthy and profitable division of the opening dates. Richmond will, of course, get the week-end games, but as to the rest of the schedule Richmond will have very little to say, excepting in an advisory capacity. Many Schedules Offered. Elmore Heins, who is now in Cincinnati taking a rest, advises that he has prepared a schedule which he thinks is ideal. James West will bring another schedule from Newport News. (Continued on Fourth Page.)

Schedule for Auto Show Week

Monday, February 17—Opening. Tuesday, February 18—Charity Night. Wednesday, February 19—Old Dominion Night. Thursday, February 20—Society Night. Friday, February 21—Festival Night. Saturday, February 22—Parade.

PETERSBURG WILL HOLD MEETING TUESDAY NIGHT

Amateur Ball Players to Be Organized—Whole City Is in Move.

Amateur baseball is to furnish the people of Petersburg who are anxious to give the men and boys of that growing city a chance to develop themselves physically an opportunity to achieve the results aimed at. Last year there was a most excellent amateur baseball organization in Petersburg. It was known as the Wiregrass League. Unfortunately one of the teams in this league got control of practically all the best ball players in the city. Naturally the contents lacked interest. Therefore it was thought best to dissolve this league and order a new deal. On Tuesday night a meeting of all those interested in the movement will be held in the hall of Eureka Lodge. Knights of Pythias, beginning at 8:30 o'clock. Everybody in Petersburg is invited to attend. At this time pretty nearly everybody in Petersburg has made it known that they would be there. Doctors and lawyers, ministers and laymen, youngsters and grownups—all will come to the meeting and try to do something. The merchants have shown a lively interest, and the newspapers of Petersburg have hampered upon the idea of improving the men and boys along physical as well as moral and mental lines so long that the educational work has taken root. Not only has it taken root, but it has grown to lusty proportions. Getting right to hard pan the people of Petersburg have come to the conclusion that what can be accomplished in other cities can be accomplished in the good town on the south bank of the Appomattox. They have watched the growth of organized amateur baseball in Portsmouth, in Norfolk, in (Continued on Fourth Page.)

CROWD ENJOYS INDOOR EVENTS

Blues Meet Attracts Big Gallery. Fat Men's Race Is Easily Feature.

A packed gallery watched the athletes in the closed indoor invitation meet held last night in the Blues Armory. While no South Atlantic records were broken, the contests were sharp and spirited, and some good racing resulted. None of the letter men was permitted to take part in the several events, the desire on the part of the battalion being to interest new men in track athletics. The fat men's race brought forth the plaudits of the evening. No man weighing less than 175 pounds was permitted to enter this race, and the big ones went into the event with the same determination to win that actuated their speedier brothers. The letter men's relay race was run without the appearance of Dick Vaughan, who was supposed to captain one of the teams. He was detained. The summaries follow: Fifty-yard dash—Cooper, first; Dunn, second. Time, 8 minutes. Running high jump—Bryan, first; Hughes, second. Height, 5 feet 2 inches. Fifty-yard hurdles—Bryan, first; King, second. Time, 1:01. 88-yard run—Cason, first; J. Russell, second. Time, 2:32. Shot put—Goddard, first; Word, second. Time, 42.3. Discus—Goddard, first; Word, second. Distance, 37.8. Fat men's race, 225 yards—George Epps, first; Gates, second; Frank Epps, third. Time, 42.3. Noncommissioned officers against privates—Privates won. Time, 7.1. Letter men's relay—Won by Word, Jones, Cooper and Burke. (Continued on Fourth Page.)

LEXINGTON FIVE WINS FAST GAME FROM VIRGINIA

Great Crowd Sees Orange and Blue Humbled by W. & L.

CHAMPIONSHIP OF STATE IS DECIDED

White and Blue Shows Better Team Work Than Charlottesville Aggregation—Game Is Rough, but Officials Hold Players Well in Hand. Many Fouls Called.

Lynchburg, Va., February 8.—The Orange and Blue of Virginia trailed before Washington and Lee here to-night in a hard-fought basketball game, in which the State collegiate championship was settled, Washington and Lee winning by better all-around work by the score of 43 to 28. The game was witnessed by 1,100 persons, this being the largest crowd that ever had gathered to see a basketball game in Virginia.

Miles, the tall centre for Washington and Lee, outplayed Rixey, who played the same position for Virginia. Rixey retired when half the second half was played, giving way to Strickling, who held Miles far better than Rixey was able to do.

The game was rough, but not as rough as might have been expected; a condition due largely to the excellent work of the two officials. Washington and Lee was easily the better team on goal shooting, the Virginia team, as it started out, being somewhat off, with the exception of Stickley, who played the best game for the Orange and Blue. Gill did good work in the first half, but he was replaced later in the second by Lyman, who was very speedy. Virginia was not as accurate in passing and receiving, as a general (Continued on Fourth Page.)

WELLS ARRIVES WITH HIS BRIDE

Bombardier After McCarty, but Willing to Take on Any of Topnotchers.

New York, February 8.—Among the passengers arriving to-day on the liner Mauretania was Bombardier Wells, the English heavy-weight. The fighter was accompanied by his bride. The Bombardier says that he has come over here again looking for a fight. "Of course," said he, "I would prefer McCarty to any one now in the ring, but if I can't have him, I will take on any other willing fighter. Johnson is out of the question. He is out of the game. From what I understand he can't fight in this country, and the ring of England is closed against him for good, and I am very fond of this country, and that goes without saying." Mrs. Wells is a daughter of Luke Kilroy, an old-time runner of England. She first met her husband at a prize fight in London. Kilroy introduced the fighter to Miss Kilroy, and it was a case of love at first sight.

BASEBALL SQUAD HOLDS PRACTICE

Spring Weather Gives Carolina's Men an Opportunity to Do Outdoor Work.

Chapel Hill, N. C., February 8.—Week-end baseball practice at Carolina witnessed an outpouring of thirty-two candidates in the field this afternoon, eight of the number, consisting of would-be pitchers on the varsity nine, favored with spring-like weather the practice of the week has gone on each day uninterrupted. The week's practice has produced some material that is rather promising. As to the mound, Tom Craven, pitcher in Oak Ridge 1911 team, has a safe low-in. Aycock, Ray and Graves perhaps are on the ascending scale. The catcher's job is even more huddled than that of the pitchers. The possessors of Little Abernathy, all stubble, Hart and Little Abernathy, all stubble, are of more or less ability, gained on class and scrub teams, are working for the job. A valuable addition to the outfield will likely be annexed in the person of Thompson, an outfielder in the Trinity College squad last season. Frankly speaking, however, the bunch of brand-new material now aspiring to supply vacancies on Carolina's squad will have to show marked development if the team is to compare favorably with the team of 1912.